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3 By Senator Orr
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COMMENDING MR. ROY CLEM FOR HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly conveyed to Mr. Roy Clem for his many distinguished accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Clem is the Executive Director of the Alabama Educational Television Commission and oversees the Alabama Public Television Network and the Alabama Educational Television Foundation Authority; he served on the Alabama Bicentennial Commission Advisory Committee from its inception in 2016; in addition, he guided Alabama Public Television in developing a full-length documentary on the bicentennial commemoration and its projects; helped introduce thousands of Alabamians of all ages to Alabama history, culture and nature; and focused on the youth of Alabama and encouraged them to take pride in their State and to be committed to being good citizens; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Mr. Clem began his career as a street reporter in Denver, Colorado; in 1974, he joined the Denver Police Department, where he served as a Patrol Officer,

1 a Motorcycle Officer, a Police Academy Supervisor, and a
2 Detective Sergeant; he received numerous departmental and
3 citizen commendations; created Denver Police Department's
4 first public information office; and continued to work in
5 broadcasting at Denver's CBS affiliate, where he produced the
6 television series, "Crimestoppers", as well as one of the
7 nation's first training programs that taught First Responders
8 how to treat injured victims suffering from AIDS; in 1986, he
9 became a Broadcast Journalist, an Anchor, a News Director, and
10 a General Manager; in 2005, he joined The University of
11 Alabama's College of Communication and Information Services as
12 its Director of Commercial Broadcasting, where he supervised
13 the WVUA TV education project and taught Broadcast Management,
14 Journalism, and Visual Storytelling and Ethical Decision
15 Making; in 2012, he moved to the Alabama Public Television
16 Network; under his leadership, the APT Team has received
17 numerous prestigious Regional and National Awards; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Clem co-founded Alabama's Amber Alert
19 Plan and taught Amber Alert Techniques across the nation for
20 the United States Department of Justice; also, he has served
21 on various boards and organizations over the years; he
22 currently serves on the National Board of Directors for PBS;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, he has received a plethora of accolades
25 over the decades, including, but not limited to, the NABEF
26 Service to America Award, two RTDNA Edward R. Murrow National
27 Awards, and several Edward R. Murrow Regional Awards; and

1 WHEREAS, he and his wife of 48 years, Karla, have
2 two children and five grandchildren; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Clem is highly honored for his
4 commitment to serving others; now therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we warmly commend Mr. Roy Clem
7 for his many distinguished accomplishments, and we hereby
8 dedicate this resolution to him with utmost appreciation,
9 admiration, and regard.